

METROPOLITAN JEWISH DAY SCHOOL BASKETBALL LEAGUE

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2021-2022 League Deadlines

- I. Schedule-(Page 11) Form must be scanned and emailed to msyeshivaleague@gmail.com no later than **Sunday, November 21, 2021**. No pictures, please. Schedule of opponents will be sent out after today's meeting.
- II. Rosters (Page 12) – Form must be scanned and emailed to msyeshivaleague@gmail.com no later than **Sunday, November 21, 2021**. No pictures, please.
- III. No games before December 8, 2021.
No games after (season ends) February 27, 2022.
No games are to be scheduled on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 (Asarah B'Tevet).
- IV. Coaches Directory:
Please review your cell phone numbers and email addresses on the Coaches Directory. This will be sent out after today's meeting. If any corrections are needed, please email msyeshivaleague@gmail.com asap.
- V. To order rule books, call the New York State Public High School Athletic Association at 518-690-0771 and speak to Eileen Davis. Rule books may also be ordered online at http://www.nysphsaasales.com/Winter-Season_c13.htm
- VI. The following should be thoroughly consulted before scheduling games: Principals, Custodians, Bar/Bat Mitzvah dates, Athletic Directors and other same school Coaches, School Calendar.
- VII. Saturday Night games may not begin before 90 minutes after Shabbos ends.
- VIII. For schools with more than one team, double headers are encouraged.

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1. LEAGUE WEBSITE: Coaches are responsible for checking the League Website for any and all announcements and updates. (www.yeshivabasketball.org)
2. Website Login: Every Coach will have a User ID which will be the first initial of your first name followed by your last name i.e. jrhine. Everyone will be given the same default password. When you sign in for the first time on the website, you will be given the option to reset this password. All passwords are case sensitive.
3. To Post Scores on the Website: The Home team coach is responsible for posting the score of each home game on the league website (www.yeshivabasketball.org) WITHIN 24 HOURS of the game's completion. Each coach is expected to familiarize him/herself with the procedure of posting scores. You will receive an email with instructions.
4. Only students in eighth grade or below are eligible to play in the MJDSBL. Any Boys/Girls varsity player whose 15th birthday falls on or before December 8, 2021 is ineligible to play. Any seventh grade boy/girl whose 14th birthday falls on or before December 8, 2021 is ineligible to play in the seventh grade division. Any player whose 13th birthday falls on or before December 8, 2021 is ineligible to play in the JV division. A player may play on only one team while representing his/her school. No MJDSBL player may compete in ANY interscholastic high school game.
5. All "Federation" high school rules are in effect. COACHES MUST FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES AND THEIR TEAMS WITH ALL THE NEW RULES, AS WELL AS OUR SPECIAL MJDSBL PROCEDURES.
6. All Varsity and seventh grade games shall be played in four (4) eight (8) minute quarters (stop time). All JV Games (6th grade) will have four (4) seven (7) minute quarters. ALL OVERTIME PERIODS SHALL BE THREE (3) MINUTES IN LENGTH.
7. All team members must wear LEGALLY numbered uniforms. (digits 0-5). Teams must have white home uniforms and colored road uniforms. An illegally uniformed player may not play in the MJDSBL and may not remain in the game after being notified that he/she is improperly uniformed. All players on a given team must wear the same uniform. If a player is wearing a T shirt under the jersey, it must be the same color as the jersey.
8. It is the responsibility of the HOME team to provide the following at each game:
 - a. A REGULATION BASKETBALL (Leather)- FOR GIRLS A "28.5" BASKETBALL
 - b. A HANDHELD TIMECLOCK AT LEAST 6" IN DIAMETER in case scoreboard goes down
 - c. A REGULATION BASKETBALL SCOREBOOK
 - d. A LARGE VISIBLE POSSESSION ARROW ON SCORER'S TABLE
 - e. TWO REFEREE'S REMINDER CARDS (Page 8,9,10)
 - f. A FIRST AID KIT AND COLD ICE PACKS

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There must be safe playing conditions (heat, floor not wet, chairs for team, scorer's table, etc.) at ALL times during the game. Any gym not equipped with an electronic scoreboard must have a manual flip over digital scoreboard at the scorer's table. Failure to provide these items will result in a forfeit.

9. EMERGENCY POSTPONEMENTS shall be granted only in the event of an emergency, e.g. snow. Should it be necessary to postpone a game due to emergency, it is vital that the League Administrator, Judah Rhine (516-707-2638) and the opposing school and/or coach be consulted at once. Do not contact by email in case of emergency postponements.
10. Each team is expected to be ready play within ten (10) minutes of the scheduled starting time for each game. When planning travel time, allow enough time so that each game can begin on time. If the home team cannot begin the game within 20 minutes of the starting time (due to unavailability of players and/or the court) the game will be forfeited to the visiting team. The game may be played at a later date on the visiting team's home court under the following conditions:
 - A. The original visiting team must consent to play the game. The visiting team is NOT obligated to play the game.
 - B. A forfeit replay fee of \$175 must be paid to the MJDSBL by the original home team prior to the playing of the game.

This rule does not apply to second or third games of sequentially scheduled double or tripleheaders between schools in the MJDSBL.

11. All weekday games at NSHA involving schools outside of Nassau and Queens must start at 7:00pm or later. All weekday games at Bruriah and RYNJ must start at 7:00pm or later.
12. **Coaches are urged and reminded to constantly check and re-check court availabilities during the season.** If your court is not available for a timely start you will forfeit the game.
13. Our game officials are skilled and experienced referees. Coaches must cooperate IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY with our referees and set a good example in conduct and sportsmanship for both our players. Please note: The game officials have COMPLETE JURISDICTION over all aspects of the game. It is their job to conduct the game in accordance with the rules.
14. In order to prevent breakouts of "little league syndrome," coaches should restrict bench areas to players and coaches only. **Head coaches (only) may coach in a standing or kneeling position. While standing or kneeling, head coach must remain in the coach's**

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box which is defined as the area directly in front of his seat. All other coaches and team personnel must remain seated during the game.

15. If a tie in the final standings cannot be resolved through the use of normal procedures, a transparent coin toss will determine the standings. No advantages in the standings will be gained through point differentials. Do NOT run up the score.
16. Any team that intentionally forfeits a game will have a \$250 penalty payable before the next scheduled game. (i.e.- team does not show up for regularly scheduled game)
17. ANY change in the finalized schedule or other request which affects MJDSBL operation in any way, must be made in consultation with the League Director/Administrator, as well as the opposing coach. **FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS PROCEDURE WILL CONSTITUTE AN INTENTIONAL FORFEIT. ALL GAME CHANGES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR/ADMINISTRATOR.**
18. No team may charge admission to students or parents of another school.
19. Coaches are reminded to TRAIN and PREPARE mature and responsible scorers and timers so that games can proceed smoothly. They are an essential and vital component of game administration.
20. School administrators are urged to provide a designated mature Faculty Supervisor at all games.
21. A) A team that is winning by 20 points or more at any time in the game may NOT press or play defense beyond the top of its own defensive key. The penalty for the third such violation will be a technical foul. A fourth violation will forfeit the game in favor of the losing team. Every coach will be held personally responsible for teaching this rule to his/her team. If a three-point arc exists in the gym it will be considered a defensive zone.

B) A team that is winning by 25 points or more may not have ANY of its five starters on the court. As soon as a 25 point lead is established the game will automatically be stopped to facilitate substitutions. Starters may not reenter the game unless the lead is reduced to 20 points or less. Any starter who remains on the court will be in violation of this rule and will be ineligible for two games and the offending coach will be subject to suspension. **Any coach who attempts to circumvent this rule will be subject to suspension and the game will be forfeited.** All starters should be designated by an asterisk * in the scorebook prior to the game.

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C) Special rules for GIRLS VARSITY, GIRLS JV(6th grade) & WOMEN ONLY divisions:

1. Once a team establishes a 10-point lead (at any point in the game), the winning team may no longer press beyond the half court line.
2. Once a 20 point lead is established the “no pressing” rule (rule 21A) is in effect.
3. The bonus free two-shot free throw rule will go into effect on the TENTH foul in each half. (The one-and-one on the seventh foul has been eliminated)
4. All girls competing in MJDSBL games must wear (minimally) T-shirt uniform tops WITH SLEEVES and ANKLE LENGTH sweatpants or a skirt. Neither shoulders nor ankles may be exposed. Failure to follow this procedure will constitute an intentional forfeit of a game.

D) Each team is allowed FIVE full time outs in regulation time, and one additional time-out per overtime period.

22. Any player, coach or spectator who is physically or verbally abusive during the course of the game will be IMMEDIATELY expelled from the gym. The penalty for inappropriate physical or verbal abuse will be determined by the League Director/Administrator.
23. Any request for a change in the schedule after December 8, 2021 must be accompanied by a \$150 late fee. All requests must be approved by the opposing team as well as the League Director/Administrator. Each team is allowed one free game change provided 3 day advance notice is provided.
24. The Home coach MUST phone the Visiting coach at least THREE DAYS before a game in order to confirm starting time and travel directions. It is each coach’s responsibility to make sure they are reachable on game days. COACHES MUST HAVE CELLPHONES ON AND BE AVAILABLE FOR CALLS ON GAME DAYS. Both coaches MUST HAVE each other’s cell number with him/her en route to game.
25. The Home coaches must provide one referee’s reminder card to EACH official PRIOR to the game. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF THE GAME. Hand a copy to each Referee before the game.
26. All coaches and players MUST exchange handshakes at the end of each game. COACHES WILL BE HELD PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROCEDURE. Coaches and players should form two parallel lines and shake hands “hockey-style.”
27. All players must be listed on the team’s roster. Penalty for non-compliance with this procedure will be the forfeiture of games for that team.

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28. Coaches may not contact assigners or officials privately without the permission of the League Director/Administrator.
29. Any player or coach receiving two conduct related technical fouls at any time in the season will be subject to probation or suspension, to be determined by the League Director/Administrator. Any coach or player ejected from a game will be subject to a MINIMUM of a one game suspension.
30. Special rules for BOYS AND GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY: 6th Grade
 - A. No team may play defense beyond its own half court line at any time in the game, except for the last THREE minutes of regulation time and any overtime periods (when full-court defense is permitted)
 - B. There is no three point shot in boys and girls JV division games.
31. Playoffs will begin on or about March 1, 2022. Playoff format will be sent out with list of opponents. All coaches are expected to make themselves totally available during this period. NO POSTPONEMENTS WILL BE GRANTED FOR ANY COACHES OR PLAYERS INABILITY TO PLAY AT THIS TIME (NO EXCEPTIONS). Unacceptable excuses include business trips, out of town celebrations or personal matters.
32. All male coaches and team personnel of the Jewish faith must wear head coverings in the facilities where any and all games are played.
33. The video recording of games not involving your own team is PROHIBITED without the written permission of the two teams as well as the League Director/Administrator.
34. As per New York State law, any player leaving a game with concussive symptoms (dizziness, nausea, vomiting, etc.) may not reenter the game under any circumstances.
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Good Luck. Looking forward to a great season!

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The following Covid 19 Protocols and Rules have been adopted unanimously by the Middle School Principals Council:

1. All Team Personnel including Players, Coaches and Student Managers must be double vaccinated plus 2 weeks.
2. IT IS THE PRINCIPALS' RESPONSIBILITY TO VERIFY & CERTIFY THAT ALL PLAYERS/COACHES/STUDENT MANAGERS ARE DOUBLE VACCINATED PLUS 2 WEEKS.
3. There will be NO medical exemptions granted for vaccinations.
4. In order to be verified and certified, players/coaches/student managers must provide Principals with official NY/NJ State documentation, NYS Excelsior Pass, NYC Covid SafePass, etc. Doctor's note will not be accepted as proof of vaccination.
5. Until further notice there will be NO SPECTATORS, vaccinated or unvaccinated, allowed in the gym. This includes Parents, Students, other family members and Faculty.
6. Professional Security Guards must be posted at the door of every game venue in order to:
A) prevent any violations of these Rules
B) to vet all incoming personnel for proof of vaccination (NY/NJ State official vaccination certificates)
7. Each team will be permitted a maximum of 18 Players, 2 Coaches and 2 Student Managers.
8. All Team Personnel must present VALID NY/NJ State Certificates of Vaccination to the Security Guard to gain entrance into the venue.
9. Players must present their uniforms and proof of vaccination at the door to the Security Guard.
10. NO ONE without a valid Certificate of Vaccination will be admitted to the gym.
11. With the situation being fluid we will continue to monitor and revise our policies in response to changing public health data.
12. Those gyms that have bleachers for Spectators, must disable the bleachers by rolling them back against the wall.